

THE HONORABLE BARBARA J. ROTHSTEIN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

KING COUNTY,

Plaintiff,

vs.

EXPRESS SCRIPTS, INC., EXPRESS
SCRIPTS ADMINISTRATORS, LLC,
MEDCO HEALTH SOLUTIONS, INC.,
MERCK-MEDCO, ESI MAIL ORDER
PROCESSING, INC., ESI MAIL PHARMACY
SERVICE, INC., EXPRESS SCRIPTS
PHARMACY, INC., EXPRESS SCRIPTS
SPECIALTY DISTRIBUTION SERVICES,
INC., OPTUMINSIGHT, INC.,
OPTUMINSIGHT LIFE SCIENCES, INC.,
THE LEWIN GROUP, INC., INGENIX
PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES, INC.,
INGENIX, INC., OPTUMRX, INC., AND
OPTUM, INC.,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:24-cv-00049

**ORDER GRANTING STIPULATED
MOTION TO EXTEND DEADLINES**

Plaintiff King County (“Plaintiff”) and Defendants Express Scripts, Inc., Express Scripts Administrators, LLC, Medco Health Solutions, Inc., ESI Mail Order Processing, Inc, ESI Mail Pharmacy Service, Inc., Express Scripts Pharmacy, Inc., Express Scripts Specialty Distribution Services, Inc., OptumInsight, Inc., OptumInsight Life Sciences, Inc., The Lewin Group, Inc., OptumRx, Inc., and Optum, Inc. (together, “Defendants”) (collectively with Plaintiff, the “Parties”) hereby jointly move the Court for an order extending certain existing deadlines.

On October 31, 2023, Plaintiff filed a complaint in King County Superior Court. On January 10, 2024, the Parties filed a stipulation reflecting that Defendants accepted service effective December 14, 2023, and agreeing that Defendants’ deadline to respond to the complaint would be extended to March 13, 2024. Dkt. 1-3 at 2, 132–47. On January 10, 2024, Defendants then removed the action to this Court. Dkt. 1.

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 81(c)(2)(C), Defendants’ deadline to respond to the Complaint would by default be January 17, 2024. However, consistent with the Parties’ stipulation filed in King County Superior Court, and in order to allow Defendants sufficient time to investigate Plaintiff’s allegations, the Parties jointly ask the Court to extend Defendants’ deadline to respond to the Complaint to March 13, 2024. The Parties agree that Defendants do not waive and expressly preserve all defenses, including jurisdictional defenses.

IT IS SO STIPULATED, THROUGH COUNSEL OF RECORD

DATED January 16, 2024

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15 IT IS SO ORDERED.

16 Dated this 17th day of January, 2024.

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20 U.S. District Court Judge
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